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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Harris et al.  
Appl. No.: 09/404,245 Patent No.: 6,838,402 B2  
Filed: September 21, 1999 Issue Date: January 4, 2005  
For: Splittable Multicomponent Elastomeric Fibers

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION TO ADD AN ASSIGNEE  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.183**

Sir:

On behalf of the Assignees of record, Fiber Innovation Technology, Inc and Hills, Inc., in the above-identified patent, it is hereby petitioned that the Commissioner waive the requirements of C.F.R. § 3.81, so that through a Certificate of Correction, Hills, Inc. may be added to the face of the Letters Patent.

Fiber Innovation Technology, Inc and Hills, Inc. were assigned this patent application from the inventors in an assignment that was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 18, 2000, at Reel 010555, Frame 0725.

On the Issue Fee Transmittal Form filed in this application, the person preparing the form inadvertently omitted the assignee Hills, Inc.

The petition fee of \$400.00 required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) is enclosed herewith. Any overpayment or underpayment of this required fee may be charged to Deposit Account 16-0605.

It is respectfully requested the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 3.81 be waived, so that the name and address of Hills, Inc. may be added through a Certificate of Correction.

The Certificate of Correction, cover letter, and fee are enclosed with this Petition.

**Once the Petition is allowed, it is our understanding that the Certificate of  
Correction will be forwarded to the correct department.**

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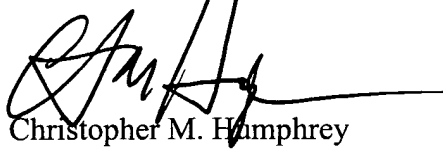
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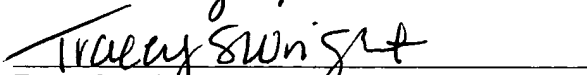
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Patent No. 6,838,402 B2; Issued January 4, 2005  
Our File 038675/171789

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a Certificate of Correction be issued for the above-identified patent in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.323. This request is made in order to correct mistakes incurred by both the Applicant and the USPTO.

The mistakes appearing in the patent are set forth on the Certificate of Correction enclosed herewith, with an additional copy thereof, a check in the amount of \$100.00 and a postal card being enclosed in accordance with the present United States Patent and Trademark Office practice.

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# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO. : 6,838,402 B2  
DATED : January 4, 2005  
INVENTOR(S) : Harris et al.

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page,

Item (73), Assignee:, insert --Hills, Inc., W. Melbourne, FL--.

Column 16,

Line 3, the first occurrence of "said" should read --and--.

Column 17,

Line 6, delete the word "bundle";

Line 41, " $\text{J}/\text{cm}^3$ )<sup>1/2</sup>" should read --( $\text{J}/\text{cm}^3$ )<sup>2</sup>--.

Column 18,

Line 46, after the word "during" insert --drawing--; "the" should read --that--.

Column 19,

Line 3, "ration" should read --ratio--.

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